

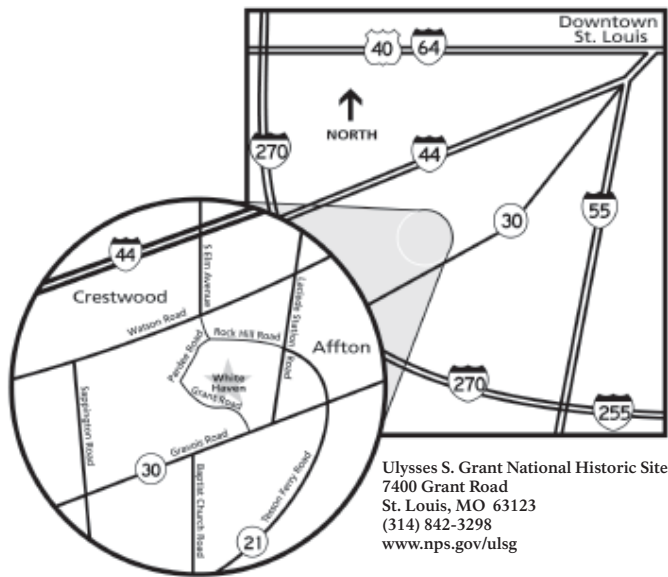
### Additional Information

Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site is located on Grant Road across from Grant's Farm in South St. Louis County. Parking is free.

Registration and refreshments will be from 8:30-9:00 a.m. at the Visitor Center.

A boxed lunch will be provided for \$9.00, or you may bring a lunch to eat on the grounds.

The workshop will include some walking and climbing stairs. Please dress casually and wear comfortable shoes.



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St. Louis, MO 63102

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Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site

## Teacher Workshop

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negroes or mulattoes, in reading  
or writing, in this State."*

Missouri Law, 1847

# Freedom & Slavery in Antebellum St. Louis

Wednesday, June 13, 2007  
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Ulysses S. Grant National  
Historical Site

For reservations, call (314) 655-1637

**B**efore the Civil War, slavery ignited heated debates in public and private places across the United States. The topic tore at the very fabric of the nation as states divided along lines of slave and free. The Dred Scott Decision added fuel to the fire. Family relationships, like those between Ulysses S. Grant and his father-in-law, Frederick Dent, grew strained with the exchange of opinions about union and secession. But nowhere did the topic of slavery play a larger role than in the lives of people held in bondage; African Americans, both free and enslaved.

Workshop participants will participate in five sessions introducing National Park resources about slavery and freedom in antebellum St. Louis.

### ***Antebellum Life and Jobs***

Slaves and free blacks in St. Louis lived a difficult life in the antebellum days. Many worked in households similar to the Dents, while others were hired out to other households or businesses. Participants will experience the challenges of life and work in an antebellum household.

*"The letters from the statesmen of the day will show how much this controversy occupied their thoughts...and fears were entertained that it might dissolve the Confederation by which the States were then united."*

Chief Justice Roger Taney, 1856 Dred Scott Decision

*"One section of our country believes slavery is a right, and ought to be extended, while the other believes it is wrong, and ought not to be extended."*

Abraham Lincoln, 1861 Inaugural Address

### ***Critter Camp Observation***

In partnership with Grants Farm, Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site hosts part of the Farm's "Critter Camp" summer program. Activities include a taste of 19th century schooling, a look at farm tools and period games, a house tour and an introduction to the National Park Service.

### ***Dred Scott and Grant Traveling Trunks***

The new Dred Scott Traveling Trunk includes living history items, images, documents, books, audio and video resources. Participants will also preview a traveling trunk about U.S. Grant.

### ***Primary Source Activity***

Using census records from the 1800s, participants will compare life of a rural household with that of an urban household.

### ***Mapping a life***

How can one place reflect a life? Participants will use landmarks on the grounds of Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site and throughout the new museum to map life from the perspective of a slave, then challenge others to interpret their perspective.

### ***Curriculum Objectives***

Workshop sessions address some of the following tested objectives for the states of Missouri and Illinois, as well as National Standards for History and Social Studies:

ILS: 14.F, 16.B-D

MAP: SS 1, 2, 3, 6

NCSS: II.a, II.c, II.d, V.e, VI.f, VI.h

NSH: 4.2, 4.4, 5.1